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SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 1892.

TOWNSHIP MATTERS.

It is not possible to please everybody, and the Town Committee is not trying to do the impossible. The election of Messrs. Beach, Oakes, Stout, and Lockwood to the Committee was justly regarded as a guarantee of a wise administration of municipal affairs. Some looked for the immediate remedy of township evils, and expected to obtain at once all that they had failed of in the past. Such are bound to be disappointed and to undergo a reaction of feeling. The Committee as now constituted can be relied upon to conduct township business without fear or favor. Men who have axes to grind and are hampered by petty political ambitions should have no place in a Town Committee.

The appropriations made last week for roads were well placed. In the distribution of road moneys every property owner is apt to think the particular road on which he lives is in most need of an appropriation. This is the exceptional case of a man's judging his own to be more than his neighbor's. The Committee proceed, as we take it, on the theory of expending money upon those roads where the adjoining property is valuable or is likely to become so—property that does or will eventually pay the heaviest taxes. This is in the nature of a good investment.

In some cases exception should be made, and is made, in favor of roads which are very much travelled. To this disposition of the road funds objection is naturally made by those who have for a number of years been paying taxes regularly without their property receiving the benefit of a road improvement. The taxes paid in most of these cases are not large, and the amount of such taxes in a few years will be exceeded by the taxes yielded by other properties which have not been paying so heavily until of late.

Then again we ever specially benefit one part of the town benefits all. Many seem unable to realize this. "Everything comes to him who waits." If some will have patience they will in time be blessed as they wish, and will besides have the pleasure of anticipation.

A Superintendent of Public Works is needed. The Town Committee has done well, both in the matter of creating this office, and in the selection of the person to fill it. Mr. McGowan has the requisite time to give to its duties and the necessary judgment. Under his immediate and personal supervision the work for which appropriations are made will be better and more carefully done. This appointment will insure the town against loss, and will save it many a dollar which otherwise might have been wasted. Bloomfield is at that stage of its growth where it needs the experience and judgment of just such men as have consented to undertake the management of its affairs.

Montclair Military Academy.
The closing exercises in the Montclair Military Academy will take place on June 13. In the morning will be the rhetorical exercises by the younger cadets, followed by military drill. The graduating exercises will be from 7.30 to 9 in the evening, followed by a reception and dancing. The public are invited to attend all exercises except the reception, to which special cards of invitation have been issued.

Vital Statistics.
During the year ending June 30 there were 41 marriages, 187 births and 115 deaths in Bloomfield.

There is a mistaken impression abroad that "Tales from Town Topics," although clever, bright, witty and not unfrequently wise, are a little too much akin to modern French literature to be proper reading for a serious people. This is a mistake, as any one will discover who reads the stories in question. It is true that they avoid the absolute drab-colored prudery of the modern English short story, but in evading this they do not run on the equally offensive one of modern French license. The fourth volume of this series is just published, and its contents show that the art and talent of the writers who produced the first volumes are by no means abated. Town Topics, 21 West Twenty-third Street, New York.

Smith E. Perry will celebrate his seventy-second birthday next week. He has lived sixty-nine years in this town.

A Bloomfielder in Mexico.

FRONTERAS, SONORA, Feb. 8.
ED. PROSPECTOR: I have just arrived from a thirteen days' trip to some of the mines in the Mochizuma district of Sonora, Mexico, and my principal reason for visiting there was to post the management of the San Luis Mining and Reduction Co. in matters pertaining to the shipping of our sister republic in custom-house matters.

My travelling companions were Mr. E. Guignon and Mr. De Moss of St. Louis, Mo., both shareholders of said company. We arrived at the mine after a very pleasant journey through a beautiful country in many respects. I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Gains Paddock, President of the company, and Mr. Dameron, also a shareholder, and as far as I could learn, these gentlemen were well pleased with the mill plant and mine. I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. F. V. Layton, the able superintendent of the mine, well known in Tombstone mining circles.

The general developments of the mine show the master hands of a judicious and able management in every respect. Being neither a mining man nor "expert" on mining, I took it upon myself to quietly crawl about on my own hook and responsibility to view the working of the liziviation plant erected by Mr. D. M. Nichols, and as I have passed a good deal of my time among machinery I will say that it is a piece of work doing great credit to himself and his assistants—a body of first-class millwrights and engineers, and not to forget "gentlemen" who had a hand in its construction. I admired it the more because it was hauled by ox teams, mule teams, burro back, and in all conceivable kinds and ways of transportation known in new, and so to speak, unexplored countries, and erected under many difficulties, comparatively speaking, in a very short space of time.

On my way home I visited the Mochizuma Concentrating Co.'s works and mine—the concentrating works which are really and indeed a criterion to go by in mining in Sonora, dealing with rebellious ores, and are worth while studying. They are the results of the practical hands and genius of Mr. Willard Richards, a gentleman from New Jersey, who has proved himself a pretty able mining man, and one who can well take his rank among his old and experienced and sun-baked cousins of Arizona.

This plant chews up from 25 to 30 tons of rock daily into concentrates, and does it so well that the tailings finally assay but about 4 oz. to the ton. It is a marvellous piece of practical work run in all by four mill hands and one engineer, and though labor-saving machinery is often condemned by the laboring man, in this case it is a boon to him, for were it not for such plants the expense of mining such ores would be too great, and equal to abandonment. This plant is a success and completely overthrows the saying that no man ever made a dollar at mining in Sonora. Mining at best is a gamble, and even though a mine be a rich one, there is such a thing as overtaxing it with expenses, and thereby inviting failure, and of such failures we have unfortunately many on record where the mine itself is not to blame.

I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Lew Richards and his amiable wife and children, whose guest I was until next morning, when I pulled out towards the United States.—Tombstone Prospector.

"Food" for June.

"Food" for the month of June is ready, and the publishers of this unique and useful magazine have spread a delicious feast. The ornamental phases of the gastronomic art and the more serious and scientific questions of the dietary are pleasingly blended in the make-up, the result being a very attractive number for the specialist and general reader.

Among the more prominent features of the magazine is an illustrated article on "Camp Kitchens and Camp Cooking," by David A. Curtis; "Vegetarianism: Its Beauties and Benefits," is contributed by Carvia La Favre, President of the National Vegetarian Society, who treats her subject in a clear and logical manner and in a style that makes the article decidedly readable. "Infant feeding," by Elizabeth Robinson Scovill, gives many practical and timely hints to those who have the duty of providing nourishment for the generation in arms. The "Possibilities of Strawberries" are pointed out in an entertaining way by F. N. Barrett, in an article embracing a collection of receipts showing many ways of preparing this luscious fruit for the table. These and the June Menus fill up a few of the pages of a very palatable number of a very attractive magazine. The price of "Food" is \$2.00 per year; single copies, 20 cents. Clover Publishing Co., Nos. 71 and 73 Park Place, New York City.

Active Hose Will Banquet.

A meeting of Active Hose Company of Watessing was held on Thursday night, when officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Foreman, Edward F. O'Neil; Assistant Foreman, Charles Durning; President, James Nichols; Vice-President, C. Flannagan; Secretary, William Hoffman; Treasurer, Thomas Albinson. The company will hold a banquet on Friday evening, June 10, at the hose-house, in honor of the fourteen members who become exempt at that time.

AT THE CHURCHES.

First Presbyterian.
The Rev. H. W. Ballantine, D. D., pastor. Sunday services 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school at 12 M. Tomorrow the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered in the morning.

Westminster Presbyterian.
Rev. Geo. A. Paull, pastor. Preaching services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.45 P. M. Sunday-school at noon. Young People's prayer meeting at 7 P. M. Strangers always welcome.

German Freeveterian.
Sunday services: Preaching by the pastor, the Rev. H. W. Seibert, at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school at 2 P. M. Prayer meeting, Tuesday at 8 P. M. Young People's Society, Friday at 8 P. M.

Park Methodist Episcopal.
Services to-morrow at 10.30 A. M. Holy Communion and reception of members; at 7.30 P. M., preaching by the pastor, the Rev. R. B. Collins. Sunday-school at noon. Epworth League Prayer meeting at 6.45. Leader, Miss A. Martin. Children's Hour, Tuesday, at 3.30.

Watessing Methodist Episcopal.
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and reception of members in the morning. Sunday-school at 2.30. Young People's Epworth League at 6.45. Preaching at 7.45 by the pastor, the Rev. Elbert Clement. Subject, "The Soldier of Today." Young men especially invited.

First Baptist.
Services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. The pastor will preach morning and evening. All are invited. Seats free.

Glen Ridge Congregational.
The Rev. F. J. Goodwin, pastor. Services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.45 P. M. Sunday-school at 3 o'clock. Young People's Society at 7.15 P. M.

Christ Episcopal.
The Rev. Edwin A. White, Rector. Celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 A. M. Morning Prayer, Sermon and Celebration of the Holy Communion, 10.30 A. M. Sunday-school 3 P. M. Evening Prayer and Sermon, 7.30 P. M. Monday and Tuesday service, 10 A. M. Friday service 5 P. M. Saturday (St. Barnabas) Celebration of the Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M.

A June Wedding.

The marriage of Miss Lizzie Schauf of No. 24 Washington Avenue and Joseph Schoppner of Brooklyn is announced to take place at the residence of the bride on June 18, at seven o'clock P. M. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. H. W. Seibert of the German Presbyterian Church. After a wedding supper they will leave for a two weeks' sojourn in the Catskills. They will reside in Brooklyn upon their return.

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